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Applicants : Ann Marie Schmidt and David M. Stern
Serial No. : 09/167,705 Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed : October 6, 1998 Examiner: J. L. Andres
For : EXTRACELLULAR NOVEL BINDING PROTEIN (EN-RAGE)
AND USES THEREOF

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the Final Office Action mailed August 30, 2001 finally rejecting pending claims 47-52, 53 and 55-72 in connection with the above-identified application.

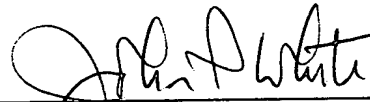
Applicants are concurrently filing an Amendment in Response to August 30, 2001 Final Office Action and Petition For a Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, the subject application is pending today, i.e. February 28, 2002. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is ONE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS (\$160.00), and a check for this amount is enclosed.

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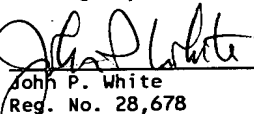
No fee, other than the enclosed \$160.00 fee for filing a Notice of Appeal, is deemed necessary. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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